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SPECIFIC: [redacted] Personality Reports on Hungarian Emigres in Munich

1. In addition to his primary agent activity, [redacted] is being exploited as an informant on the Munich Hungarian community in general. This can be done without detracting from his primary function, and, in fact, it supplements that function. As this type reporting gives the case officer an excellent insight into [redacted] circle of acquaintances, pattern of daily activity, and capabilities in the eyes of the AVH. Forwarded herewith in two copies for EE only are personality reports written by [redacted] on 23 Hungarian emigres, mostly living in Munich, who play leading roles in the MHBK and the emigre newspapers Hungaria and Uj Hungaria, which are, respectively, pro and anti MHBK. The reports were received from [redacted] on 25 July.

2. The attachment contains personality reports on the following individuals:

a. Dr. Zoltan MAKRA aka Z. Janos MAKRA, circa 40 years old, residing Rheinstr. 20/I, Munich. MAKRA is editor-in-chief of Hungaria and president of the Verband der freien Presse. Has contact with some German intelligence office.

b. Erzsebet MATYAS, circa 27 years old, residing Destouchesstr. 14/II, Munich. She is the mistress of MAKRA.

c. Dr. Viktor STANEOVITS, circa 45-48 years old, residing in Gruenwald near Munich. Journalist employed by Hungaria. Worked for BBC in England during the war and lived in England until 1951 or 1952 and is British citizen. Formerly worked for RFE.

d. Aladar KOVACH aka KOVATS, circa 40-42 years old. Came to Munich from Innsbruck in 1949 or 1950. Worked for RFE from 1951 to 1953, at which time he was fired and then went to Brussels. Writing from Brussels for Hungaria, he headed Hungaria's anti-RFE campaign. In July 1955 he moved from Brussels to Paris and started working for the Paris radio. Has close MHBK contacts.

e. Dr. Arpad KOTSIS, circa 57 years old, residing on corner of Ohmstr. and Koenigstr., Munich. Works for editorial staff of Hungaria.

f. Gyoergy JUHASZ, circa 30-32 years old, residing Munich, works for Hungaria on printing press matters.

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g. Pal PETERFFY, circa 57-58 years old, residing Bad Woerishofen, handles administrative work for Hungaria.

h. (Baron) Antal RAINVANSZKY, circa 43-45 years old, now residing in Paris, publisher of Uj Hungaria.

i. Endre RAINAI, circa 52-53 years old, lives in Munich, main journalist for Uj Hungaria, free-lance reporter for RFE.

j. Kalman KONKOLY, circa 42-43 years old, resides in Lamontstr., Munich, writer for Uj Hungaria, works for RFE.

k. Janos AGI, circa 45 years old, lives in Munich, cartoonist working for Uj Hungaria and RFE.

l. (Dr.) Janos HERP alias (Dr.) Janos KENDE, circa 48 years old, lives in Munich, runs the Uj Hungaria printing shop.

m. Janos POHARNOK, circa 60 years old, lives in Munich, is said to have just resigned from his post as editor-in-chief of Uj Hungaria.

n. (Father) Jeremos FENYVESSY, a Franciscan monk living either in Cologne or Dusseldorf. Finances the Uj Hungaria, but origin of funds is not known.

o. (Gen.) Andras ZAKO, head of the MHBK.

p. Lajos SZILAGYI, circa 56 years old, living in Munich, head of the West German section of the MHBK.

q. Antal RADNOCZI, circa 43 years old, residing Siegfriedstr. 8/III, Munich, head of the MHBK's intelligence organization.

r. Kalman ABAY aka MILDSCHUETZ, circa 56 years old, residing Bismarckstr. 16, Munich. Works with RADNOCZI in MHBK intelligence organization, handling CE matters. Formerly in contact with FIS, now with BfV.

s. Pal DARNOY, circa 43 years old, residing in Munich. Circa 1950-53 he worked for the FIS. Now he administers the MHBK's central archives and has contact with a German intelligence office.

t. Endre APOSTAGHI, circa 43 years old, residing Viktor Scheffelstr. 2/I, Munich. Worked for the FIB in Offenburg until 1953, at which time he moved to Munich and took over the organizational work of the MHBK.

u. Kurt SONYI, circa 41 years old, residing in Dusseldorf, is the MHBK liaison man to the BIS.

v. Janos IVANYI, circa 40 years old, residing in Munich, is the photography specialist for the MHBK intelligence organization.

w. Dr. Zoltan WELSZ, circa 41 years old, lives in Theodor Koernerstr., Munich-Planegg. Formerly worked for FIS in Ravensburg. Is the MHBK referent for Hungarian railroad matters.

3. The attachment also contains information on the following individuals:

a. Walter BANAITIS, circa 38-40, Lithuanian emigrant, resides Munich, RFE employee and official of Verband der freien Presse. See page 13 of Attachment.

b. (fnu) HOSSZUFALUDI, residing Camp Valka, is informant for Kalman ABAY.

c. Gen. Pal HONOSSY-STROEL, circa 62 years old, formerly in Munich but now residing Sao Paulo, Brazil. See page 19 of Attachment.

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Approved: [redacted]

Attachments: [redacted] Personality Reports (2cc)

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